

Application No. 10/807,085

Reply to Office Action

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action dated October 21, 2005 has been carefully considered. Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 14-23, 25-27, and 33-52.

Applicants also thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 62-64 and 68 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have revised the claims as suggested by the Examiner and, by doing so, note that the scope of claims 62-64 and 68 remains the same and has not been changed or narrowed to overcome any prior art or other reasons of patentability.

Claims 53-61, 65, 67 and 69 have been canceled. Applicants do not agree with the rejections of claims 53-61, 65, 67 and 69 or acquiesce to the Examiner's characterization of the references, including the Platesetter 3244 service manual and U.S. Patent No. 4,354,336 (Azzaroni). Applicants will address those references and seek to overcome the rejections in another application.

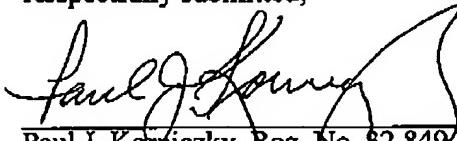
Information Disclosure Statement

In the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants have submitted a reference that was recently identified during the prosecution of a Japanese patent application. It does not teach or suggest claims 14-23, 25-27, 33-52, 62-64 and 68.

Conclusion

The application is considered in good and proper form for allowance, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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